

**AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION**

Please revise the Abstract of the Disclosure as follows:

A locking ~~means for apparatus on~~ an over-centre fastener for preventing unintentional opening of a lever of the fastener, ~~comprises~~ The locking apparatus includes a ~~leaf spring (30) attached to the lever (21a) and abutment means (31) associated with a the the~~ stationary part ~~(20)~~ of the fastener. The leaf spring (30) has one end attached to the lever, ~~(21a)~~ and an opposite, movable end thereof forms engagement ~~means (34a)~~ portion engaging the abutment ~~means (31)~~ surface in a closed position of the fastener. ~~Said The~~ opposite end of the leaf spring is formed with guide ~~means (34a, 34e)~~ portion guiding movement of ~~said the~~ opposite end of the leaf spring relative to the lever (21a).